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Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re:    *Ex Parte* Presentation**  
**WT Docket No. 03-103; “Air-Ground Telecommunications Services”**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 4, 2004, representatives of Verizon Airfone met with FCC staff to discuss the Commission’s pending rulemaking on the Air-Ground service. A list of the participants in the meeting is attached.

In this meeting, Verizon Airfone stressed the importance of implementing a regulatory regime that would facilitate the provision of a Broadband Air-Ground service in the 800 MHz band. The use of band sharing techniques, as proposed by AirCell and Boeing, would not support the provision of such a service. Airfone urged the Commission to finalize its rulemaking in an expeditious manner to accelerate the availability of broadband services to the flying public.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission’s Rules, an electronic copy of this letter is being filed for inclusion in the above-referenced docket. Due to an administrative error, this letter is being filed late.

Sincerely,

/s/ Donald C. Brittingham  
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cc:	Richard Arsenault	Kathy Harris	Bill Huber
	Shellie Blakeney	Shameeka Hunt	Moslem Sawez
	Tom Derenge	Julius Knapp	Gary Michaels
	Guy Benson	Martha Stancil	Ira Keltz
	George Sharp		

**WT Docket 03-103; Verizon Airfone Meeting with FCC on August 4, 2004**

**List of Attendees**

Richard Arsenault, Mobility Division, WTB  
Guy Benson, Mobility Division, WTB  
Tom Derenge, Mobility Division, WTB  
Kathy Harris, Mobility Division, WTB  
Moslem Sawez, Mobility Division, WTB  
Bill Huber, Auctions & Spectrum Access Div., WTB  
Gary Michaels, Auctions & Spectrum Access Div., WTB  
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Leslie Owsley, Associate General Counsel, Verizon Communications  
Robert Combs, Director, Verizon Airfone  
Mike Senkowski, Counsel, Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP  
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